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WHAT'S MY STORY?

I BELONGED TO FOUR FRANKFORT MEN OVER THE COURSE OF MORE THAN A CENTURY.

Each man who owned this Meek & Milam silver reel with an ivory handle made important contributions to his town. Their names and the dates they received the reel are engraved on its side. "Reverend Phillip Fall (1858)," founded the city's First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ); "George L. Payne (1885)," was an insurance executive; "Albert B. Blanton (1941)," distilled bourbon; and "Robert S. Howell (1954)," was a doctor and Blanton's nephew-in-law. Meek & Milam reels, made in Frankfort, are world-renowned for their quality.

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